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PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yasuhiko KENMOCHI

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For: PULL-ON DISPOSABLE WEARING ARTICLE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

By Official Action mailed October 6, 2006 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- I. **Claims 1-10 and 22, drawn to a wearing article, classified in class 604, subclass 385.28; or**
- II. **Claims 11-16, 18-21 and 23, drawn to a wearing article, classified in class 604, subclass 385.28.**

In response, Applicants hereby elect **claims 1-10 and 22** for examination in this case.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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